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Education Grant Opportunities

The Vermont Governor's Highway Safety Program (GHSP) is pleased to announce traffic safety grant opportunities for Federal Fiscal Year 2015. GHSP distributes federal funding apportioned to Vermont under the National Highway Safety Act, the Safe, Accountable and Flexible Efficiency Transportation Equity Act, and the Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act (MAP-21). Grants are used to improve existing traffic safety program performance, expand on going activities, or develop a new program across the spectrum of prevention programming. This is a competitive grant process which solicits grant proposals for highway safety activities from state, county and local agencies, non-profit organizations, schools, colleges and universities and hospitals.

Proposals submitted for funding of activities must: use relevant community based highway safety data to define the problem to be addressed; demonstrate cost effectiveness; and identify at least one performance measure quantifying the potential to positively impact the traffic-related goals of the GHSP. Community crash data can be accessed from your local police department as well as the Vermont Governor's Highway Safety Office. Applicants are also encouraged to access the following link to the Vermont Governor's Highway Safety Plan 2014, available on the web http://ghsp.vermont.gov/ and the Vermont Strategic Highway Safety Plan http://highwaysafety.vermont.gov/ which provide an overview of current and ongoing priorities. Grants will be awarded October 1, 2014 and must be completed by September 30, 2015.

WHO MAY APPLY:

Political "subdivisions" of state, local city and county government agencies, colleges and universities, school districts, and certain non-profit organizations are eligible to receive traffic safety grant funding. Non-profit organizations must submit a copy of their 501(c)(3) status with their grant application. A DUNS number and System for Award Management (SAM) Registration are also required.

HOW TO APPLY:

GHSP staff will conduct workshops to provide instructions on applying for funds, grant requirements, reporting procedures and to answer questions related to the grant process. To qualify for a grant, a designee from an applicant agency **MUST** attend a workshop as indicated below. **Pre-registration required.** Grant application packets will be available **ONLY** at the workshops. Go to the GHSP website to register for the grant workshops: **http://ghsp.vermont.gov/grants/educational.**

- **Workshop Session I** for <u>state</u> and <u>local non-profits</u>, <u>local government agencies and local law enforcement only</u> will be held on **Thursday**, **April 3**, **2014 from 1:00 4:00 pm**;
- Workshop Session II for State agencies only is scheduled for Tuesday April 8, 2014 from 1:00-4:00 pm.
- Both will be held at the Department of Public Safety, 103 S. Main St., Waterbury.

The deadline for grant submission is May 9, 2014

Contact Anne Liske, Program Coordinator with any questions, anne.liske@state.vt.us or 802-241-5505.